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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, it is requested that the following references, which are also listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, be made of record in the above-identified case.

1. U.S. Patent No. 5,339,105, dated August 16, 1994, issued to Iura et al.;
2. U.S. Patent No. 5,541,651, dated July 30, 1996, issued to Iura et al.;
3. Japanese Patent Application Publication No. 4-313984, published November 5, 1992 together with an English language abstract;
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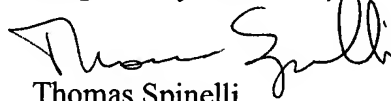

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5. Japanese Patent Application Publication No. 11-47087, published February 23, 1999 together with an English language abstract;
6. Japanese Patent Application Publication No. 4-186988, published July 3, 1992 together with an English language abstract; and
7. Japanese Patent Application Publication No. 6-78212, published March 18, 1994 together with an English language abstract.

Applicants are submitting copies of references 3-7. References 1 and 2 are not being submitted herewith, as copies of U.S. patents are no longer required per the waiver of 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(i) in effect as of June 30, 2003. The relevance of reference 4 has been described in the specification.

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		4-186988	7/3/1992	Japan			✓	
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